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MONTREAL CONVENTION AMENDMENT

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EconOff delivered points in ref to Yoshiyasu Kawaguchi, Deputy Director of MOFA's Specialized Agencies Division in the International Cooperation Bureau February 13. Kawaguchi responded February 15 noting Japan's continued commitment to the fight against terrorism and nonproliferation of weapons of mass destruction. He said Japan wants to strengthen international efforts to prevent transference of WMD via aircraft and believes the matter deserves further attention. However, he continued, the GOJ believes it is important to "pay due consideration" to how this end is achieved. Regarding the two protocols cited in reftel, Kawaguchi said Japan would agree to discuss them based on the SUA protocol, but that it would not be easy. He was particularly concerned that the second proposal "did not seem feasible."
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